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GENERAL NOTES.

Three fishes new to the fauna of New Mexico.

When in the Pecos Valley last August, I obtained three species of small fishes, which have been very kindly identified by Dr. B. W. Evermann, and appear to be new to the fauna of our Territory.

Etheostoma lepidum (Baird and Girard). Dimmit Lake, near Roswell. The lake is small but very deep, at the base of the gypsum bluffs which skirt the Rio Pecos.

Notropis macrostomus Girard, and

Tetragonopterus argentatus Baird and Girard, both from North Spring River, just north of Roswell.—*T. D. A. Cockerell.*

Note on *Phoca nigra* Pallas.

In a recent paper on 'The Hair Seals (Family *Phocidae*) of the North Pacific Ocean and Bering Sea' (Bull. Am. Mus. Nat. Hist., XVI, 1902, pp. 459-499), I suggested (*l. c.*, p. 483, foot note) that as Pallas's name *Phoca nigra* (1811), based on a young fur seal from the Kurile Islands, has priority over *Callorhinus curilensis* Jordan and Clark (1899), the Kurile Islands species would have to stand as *Callotaria nigra* (Pallas). I overlooked the fact, however, that *Phoca nigra* Pallas is preoccupied by *Phoca granlandica* var. *nigra* Kerr (1792). Consequently the Kurile Fur Seal will stand as *Callotaria curilensis* (Jordan and Clark).—*J. A. Allen.*

